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SUBJECT: DATES FOR CSCE AND MBFR

REF: (A) LONDON 5070; (B) ROME 3474; (C) VIENNA 3758

1. AT RECENT EC POLITICAL DIRECTORS' DISCUSSION, REPORTED
REF A, DUTCH REP APPARENTLY INDICATED HE UNDERSTOOD US
DID NOT ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO HOLDING STAGE ONE OF
CSCE TOWARD END OF JUNE OR OPENING MBFR NEGOTIATIONS IN
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SEPTEMBER- OCTOBER TIME- FRAME, AND WOULD BE PREPARED TO SEE
TIMETABLE SLIP.

2. WHEN SUITABLE OPPORTUNITY ARISES, AND WITHOUT
IDENTIFYING SOURCE OF REPORTED DUTCH VIEWS, YOU SHOULD
TAKE LINE PURSUED BY EMBASSY ROME WITH GAJA (REF B)
AND BY US REP MBFR IN VIENNA WITH DE VOS, AND MAKE CLEAR
TO DUTCH THAT:

(A) US CONTINUES TO ATTACH GREAT WEIGHT TO
BEGINNING STAGE ONE OF CSCE TOWARD THE END OF
JUNE, AND TO BEGINNING MBFR NEGOTIATIONS IN
SEPTEMBER/ OCTOBER OF THIS YEAR.

(B) ANY SLIPPAGE IN CSCE TIMETABLE CAUSED BY THE
WEST WOULD SERVE TO INCREASE PROSPECTS THAT MBFR
MIGHT BE DELAYED, LEADING TO

PUBLIC DOUBT IN THE US AND OTHER ALLIED COUNTRIES
ABOUT THE PROSPECTS FOR MBFR.

(C) WITH THESE CONSIDERATIONS IN MIND, US HAS
CONSISTENTLY OPPOSED ANY EFFORT TO LINK PROGRESS
IN MBFR TO CONTINUED FORWARD MOVEMENT IN CSCE,
SINCE SUCH TACTICS LIKELY TO BACKFIRE, ENCOURAGING
SOVIETS TO IMPOSE REVERSE LINKAGE, AND REDUCING
WESTERN LEVERAGE OVER THE COURSE OF BOTH MBFR AND
CSCE.

3. FOR INFO POSTS: IF YOU RECEIVE SIMILAR INDICATIONS
OF UNCERTAINTY AS TO US POSITION ON CSCE/ MBFR LINKAGE
ON TIMING, YOU MAY DRAW ON POINTS CONTAINED PARA 2
ABOVE AS APPROPRIATE, REPORTING ANY SIGNIFICANT REACTIONS
TO DEPARTMENT, INFO USNATO, USDEL MPT AND USDEL MBFR. ROGERS

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